

GENEALOGY WEBSITES

National/International Subscription Sites (fee charged for these four sites):

Ancestry - *This is a subscription site (genealogy.com is a member site):*

<http://www.ancestry.com>

Ancestry Library Edition - Often available through public libraries, as well as the Minnesota Historical Society:

<http://www.ancestrylibrary.com>

Geneanet – Search volunteer submissions. Has a variety of records available for free; premium access by subscription:

<http://en.geneanet.info/>

ProGenealogists - A division of Ancestry; hire a professional to do the research for you:

<http://www.progenealogists.com/>

World Vital Records - Has limited records available for free, detailed records by subscription; ancestry.com has many of the same records:

<http://worldvitalrecords.com/>

FREE sites *(Available at no cost as of March 2015; some require registration.)*

Family Search - This site has many of the same features as Ancestry.com, including many census records:

<http://familysearch.org>

Rootsweb - User donated family trees *(includes blank forms and charts; requires free registration to post and respond to queries):*

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/> or to search trees directly, go to: <http://wc.rootsweb.com>

Find-A-Grave - GREAT site for finding burial information, dates, obituaries, etc.:

<http://www.findagrave.com>

Tombstone Transcription Project - Great for finding more genealogy links for cities, counties and countries:

<http://www.usgwtombstones.org/>

The US Genweb Project – Sponsored by Rootsweb; includes links to state sites:

<http://usgenweb.org/>

Statue of Liberty – Ellis Island - Search for passengers entering the Port of New York through Ellis Island, 1890-1924; includes information on passengers, passenger documents, as well as detailed information on ships *(requires free registration to access detailed records):*

<http://ellisland.org/>

Castle Garden - Search for passengers entering the Port of New York through Castle Garden, 1820-1913; includes some of the Ellis Island records:
<http://www.castlegarden.org/>

Immigrant Ships Transcribers Guide - Includes passenger lists, information on ships, ports, etc. This site takes patience:
<http://www.immigrantships.net/>

Google Books - There are a lot of genealogy books on this site:
<http://books.google.com>

Library of Congress Newspaper Archive - FREE and wonderful site for searching period newspapers:
<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

Making of America, Cornell University – Digital Library of journals and books from Cornell University, primarily from 1840 to 1900:
<http://ebooks.library.cornell.edu/m/moa/>

Making of America, University of Michigan – Digital Library of journals and books from the University of Michigan, primarily from 1850 to 1877:
<http://quod.lib.umich.edu/m/moagrp/>

Genealogy Trails History Group - Search volunteer submissions:
<http://genealogytrails.com>

WikiTree – Free site for uploading as well as researching family trees (*the site is free, but requires registration*):
<http://www.wikitree.com/>

Ancestor Hunt - Limited site (often will redirect to other sites) with free information as well as subscription access (*with a very interesting, user-submitted Bible section*):
<http://www.ancestorhunt.com/>

Minnesota Sites:

Minnesota Historical Society Birth Index:
<http://people.mnhs.org/bci/>

Minnesota Historical Society Death Index:
<http://people.mnhs.org/dci/>

Minnesota Marriages – Database of Minnesota Marriages from the nineteenth century to present:
<http://www.moms.mn.gov/>

Minnesota Dalby Database – A lesser-known database with information births, deaths, wars, census, etc., sponsored by the Owatonna Library, with more records added regularly:
<http://www.dalbydatabase.com/>

Minnesota Reflections - Minnesota Digital Library:

<http://reflections.mndigital.org/>

Minnesota Digital Newspaper Hub – Sponsored by the Minnesota Historical Society. This site is awesome for local information/newspapers. This is an ongoing project with more newspapers being added regularly:

<http://newspapers.mnhs.org/web/mhsnews/web/imu.php?request=access>

ELM/Electronic Library of Minnesota - This includes *The Historic Minneapolis Tribune* (1867-1922); searchable by keyword/phrase:

<http://www.elm4you.org/>

Other States:

Illinois State Archives:

<http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/home.html>

Iowa Quick County References:

<http://iagenweb.org/state/research/bmdguide.htm>

Nebraska Genealogy:

<http://www.nebraskagenealogy.com/>

North Dakota State University Archives:

<http://library.ndsu.edu/ndsuarchives/>

South Dakota Birth Index:

<http://apps.sd.gov/PH14Over100BirthRec/index.aspx>

<http://doh.sd.gov/records/>

Wisconsin Historical Society:

<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy/>

INTERNATIONAL SITES – *Other than those already listed:*

GENUKI - For research in the UK and Ireland; includes links, free and subscription pages:

<http://www.genuki.org.uk/>

We Relate - User submitted trees:

<http://www.werelate.org/>

Other Search Resources - *For those separated by adoption, divorce, distance, etc., includes international sites:*

Adoption Reunion Registry:

<http://registry.adoption.com/>

Find Me:

<http://www.findme.org/>

International Soundex Reunion Registry:

<http://www.isrr.org/>

Metro Reunion Registry:

<http://www.metroreunionregistry.org/>

Orphan Homes, Message Boards, etc:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orphanshome/>

The Seeker:

<http://www.the-seeker.com/>

DNA genealogy sites:

Ancestry.com DNA site - <http://dna.ancestry.com/>

DNA Ancestry Project - <http://www.dnaancestryproject.com/>

Family Tree DNA – <http://www.familytreedna.com/>

GENEALOGY SOFTWARE

- ***Unless otherwise specified, both Windows and Mac versions are available for purchase and/or use.***

Family Tree Maker (FTW): for purchase, software by Ancestry.com (*considered to be one of the best genealogy software programs currently available; generally ranked #1 on genealogy sites*):

<http://familytreemaker.com/>

Reunion Family Tree: specifically for Mac and Android products:

<http://www.leisterpro.com/>

Roots Magic Essentials: offers a limited free edition, as well as for purchase

<http://www.rootsmagic.com/>

Ancestral Quest: offers a limited free edition, as well as for purchase

<http://www.ancquest.com/>

Heritage Family Tree: for purchase

<http://www.myheritage.com/>

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The information in this handout is meant to be shared. Happy Hunting!